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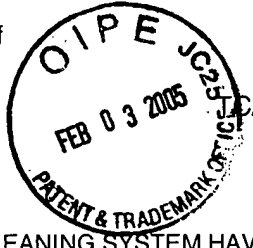
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Title: EXHAUST GAS CLEANING SYSTEM HAVING PARTICULATE FILTER



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RESPONSE

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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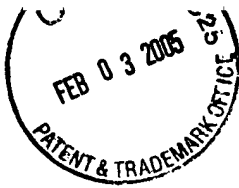
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In response to the Office Action dated 01/04/2005 finding that applicant has claimed seven patentably distinct species (i.e., no one of which is made "obvious" in view of any other or any combination of others under 35 U.S.C. §103), applicant hereby elects for further substantive examination in the present application the patentably distinct Species II relating to Figure 3B on which at least claim 4 is specifically readable. The Examiner has also already indicated that claims 1, 2 and 6 appear to be generic.

Respectfully submitted,

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